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Title:

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF SOLAR CELLS

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment 2 minus highest number previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$ 18.00	\$	0.00
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated October 7, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 3-5, without prejudice in view of the Restriction Requirement.

REMARKS

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated October 7, 2002, applicant elects method claims 1-2. Non-elected claims 3-5, have been canceled without prejudice.

Thus, claims 1-2 are now pending.